



## City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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### For Immediate Release

## Register Now for Winter Youth, Teen Sports Programs

*Safety Policies & Procedures in Place*

**Gaithersburg, MD – (October 20, 2020)** Registration for [Winter Youth and Teen Sports](#) programs in the City of Gaithersburg is now open. Winter offerings include basketball, volleyball, skateboarding, and speed & agility clinics. Policies are in place, including mandatory face masks and no spectators, to provide a safe environment for participants. Register online and view program details [here](#).

Registration for most programs is open until November 16. Some programs have limited space and will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

Winter Youth and Teen Sports offerings include:

- Middle School Volleyball League: Boys/Girls, Grades 6 – 8
- High School Volleyball League: Boys/Girls, Grades 9 – 12
- Speed & Agility Clinic: Coed, Ages 8 –16
- Beginner/Intermediate Basketball Skills Clinic: Coed, Grades 6 –8
- Beginner Volleyball Skills Clinic: Coed, Grades 6 – 8
- Intermediate Volleyball Skills Clinic: Coed, Grades 6 – 8
- Youth Volleyball League: Boys & Girls, Grades 4 – 5
- Hoop Dreams Basketball Skills Clinic: Coed, Grades K – 2
- Basketball Skills Clinic: Boys & Girls, Grades 3 – 4
- Mini Group Skateboarding Lessons: Coed, Ages 7 – 14

The primary goal of Gaithersburg Sports! programs is to offer a safe and positive environment for youth to develop physical and social skills, self-confidence and just have fun playing sports. During the pandemic, the City has implemented policies and procedures to fulfill this mission while taking every precaution to minimize the risk of exposure. Due to the unique conditions we are currently experiencing, all matters of this season are subject to change.

These policies include:

- Face masks are required for all participants, staff, coaches, and officials, at all games, practices and meets.

- **Due to limited occupancy requirements during the pandemic, spectators will not be allowed in the gymnasiums.**
- Participants should bring their own water and hand sanitizer to practices and games.
- Officials will be using hand-held whistles.
- Balls and other equipment will be periodically wiped or sprayed with sanitizer.
- Staff will be keeping attendance at all games and meets.
- Parent/guardian will be required to complete a Health Screening Questionnaire at every class or game.
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For more information visit [www.gaithersburgmd.gov](http://www.gaithersburgmd.gov) or call 301-258-6350. Subscribe to our sports newsletter [here](#).

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